# CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 10-005

**1. PROJECT TITLE:** Sunset Beach Specific Plan and Annexation

Concurrent Entitlements: General Plan Amendment 10-002, Zoning Text Amendment No.

10-002, Zoning Map Amendment No. 10-001, Local Coastal Program Amendment No. 10-001 and Annexation No. 10-001

**2. LEAD AGENCY:** City of Huntington Beach

2000 Main Street

Huntington Beach, CA 92648

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#### 3. PROJECT LOCATION:

The approximately 109 acre unincorporated Sunset Beach area is located at the northwest end of the City of Huntington Beach and is generally bounded by the City of Seal Beach to the north, the Pacific Ocean to the west and south and the City of Huntington Beach to the east and southeast. The northern limit of the Sunset Beach area is Anderson Street and the southern limit is Warner Avenue. Approximately 76 acres of the Sunset Beach area are developed or used for waterways. The remaining 33 acres is beach sand.

4. **PROJECT PROPONENT:** City of Huntington Beach

2000 Main St.

Huntington Beach, CA 92648

**Contact Person:** Paul Emery, Deputy City Administrator

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5. GENERAL PLAN

**DESIGNATION:** Existing County of Orange

Urban Residential, Community Commercial, Open Space

Proposed City of Huntington Beach

RH-30-sp (Residential High Density-greater than 30 units per acre with a Specific Plan Overlay), CV-mu-sp (Commercial Visitor with a Mixed Use Overlay and a Specific Plan Overlay), OS-S-sp (Open Space – Shoreline with a Specific Plan Overlay), OS-W-sp (Open Space – Water Recreation with a Specific Plan Overlay), and Public-sp (Public

with a Specific Plan Overlay).

**ZONING:** Existing County of Orange

Sunset Beach Specific Plan

Proposed City of Huntington Beach

Sunset Beach Specific Plan (Specific Plan No. 17).

#### 6. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The project involves five components: 1) annexation application to Orange County Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO) to annex the Sunset Beach area to the City of Huntington Beach; 2) general plan amendment to establish City general plan designations for the area and make text changes referencing Sunset Beach, 3) adoption of the City of Huntington Beach Sunset Beach Specific Plan, 4) zoning map amendment to establish the proposed Sunset Beach Specific Plan as the new zoning for the area, and 5) local coastal program amendment to establish land use plan designations, make text changes referencing Sunset Beach and to reflect the Specific Plan and zoning for the area per items 3) and 4). Future references in this document to "the project" refer to all five proposed actions: annexation, general plan amendment, adoption of the Specific Plan, zoning map amendment and local coastal program amendment.

#### Annexation

The City is proposing to annex the 109 acre Sunset Beach area located in the jurisdiction of the County of Orange. The annexation process is initiated by resolution by the City of Huntington Beach City Council.

#### General Plan Amendment

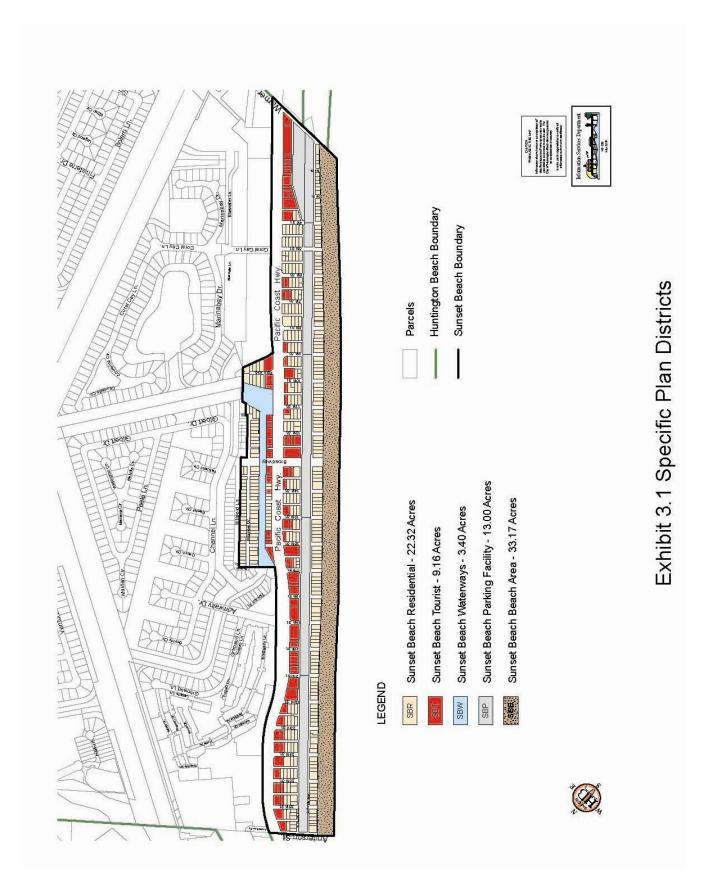
The second component of the proposed project involves establishing City General Plan designations for the annexation area. The project would amend the General Plan Land Use Map (Figure LU-5) to establish General Plan land use designations for the Sunset Beach area as follows - approximately 22.3 acres for Residential High Density-30, 9.2 acres for Visitor Serving Commercial-Mixed Use Overlay, 13.0 acres for Public, 3.4 acres for Open Space-Water Recreation and 33.2 acres for Open Space-Shoreline. The remainder of the area is right-of-way. The entire area would also have a Specific Plan Overlay. The proposed City of Huntington Beach General Plan land use designations mirror those of the existing County of Orange Land Use Plan for Sunset Beach. The General Plan Amendment would designate the Sunset Beach area as Subarea 4L on the Community District and Subarea Schedule (Figure LU-6 and Table LU-4) and would amend Table LU-3 to add a reference to "specific plans" for the Mixed Use Overlay. In addition, the General Plan Amendment would update figures to reflect the change in the City's boundary, would make minor wording changes to the Utilities Element and would update the Recreation and Community Services Element to reflect update recreational amenity information.

## **Prezoning (Zoning Text Amendment and Zoning Map Amendment)**

The third and fourth components of the project involve adoption of a specific plan (zoning text amendment) and change to the zoning map for the annexation area in accordance with LAFCO procedures. LAFCO requires that the City establish site zoning before annexation is approved by LAFCO. The Zoning Text Amendment application is a request to create the Sunset Beach Specific Plan that will provide development standards for the Specific Plan area. The Specific Plan has been prepared to be consistent with the intent of the existing County of Orange Sunset Beach Specific Plan and will not result in an increase in the density or intensity of land use beyond what is set forth in the County's Specific Plan. The Zoning Map Amendment request would amend the City Zoning Map to establish the Specific Plan zoning for the area. The total acreage of the Specific Plan area is as follows (refer to Exhibit 1for locations):

General Plan Designation/Specific Plan District	
Residential High Density/Sunset Beach Residential:	22.32 acres
Commercial Visitor/Sunset Beach Tourist:	9.16
Public/Sunset Beach Parking	13.00
Open Space Waterway/Sunset Beach Waterway	3.40
Open Space Shoreline/Sunset Beach Beach	33.17
Right of Way/Right of Way	28.26

Total: 109.31



## **Local Coastal Program Amendment**

The Local Coastal Program Amendment request would amend the City of Huntington Beach Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan and Implementation Plan to: 1) amend the certified Land Use Plan (Figure C-5) to establish City Land Use Designations for the Sunset Beach area consistent with the General Plan Land Use Designations described above, including designating it as Subarea 4L on the Community District and Subarea Schedule (Figure C-10 and Table C-2); 2) amend Land Use Plan Table C-1 to add a reference to "specific plans" for the Mixed Use Overlay; 3) amend various text sections of the Land Use Plan to include descriptions of the Sunset Beach area and update the figures to reflect the change in City boundary; and 4) amend the Implementation Plan to reflect the Zoning Map Amendment and Zoning Text Amendment described above.

#### 7. EXISTING PROJECT APPROVALS:

### **County of Orange:**

Approved the Sunset Beach Specific Plan in 1983. Approved Amendment to the Sunset Beach Specific Plan in 1990

#### **California Coastal Commission:**

Certified the County's original Specific Plan in 1985 and certified the amendment in 1991.

### **Orange County LAFCO:**

In 2009 LAFCO placed the unincorporated Sunset Beach area in the City of Huntington Beach Sphere of Influence.

#### 8. SURROUNDING LAND USES AND SETTING:

The Sunset Beach area is located at the northwest end of the City of Huntington Beach and is generally bounded by the City of Seal Beach to the north, the Pacific Ocean to the southwest and the City of Huntington Beach to the east and southeast. The northern limit of the Sunset Beach area is Anderson Street and the southern limit is Warner Avenue. Across Anderson Street is the Seal Beach residential community of Surfside and various commercial uses. Huntington Harbour and Peter's Landing are located in the City of Huntington Beach to the east, Bolsa Chica State Beach and Bolsa Chica Lowlands are located to the south.

#### 9. OTHER PREVIOUS RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:

None. In approving its Sunset Beach Specific Plan/Local Coastal Program in 1983 and 1990, the County of Orange used the California Environmental Quality Act statutory exemption for the preparation of Local Coastal Program Amendments.

### 10. OTHER AGENCIES WHOSE APPROVAL IS REQUIRED (AND PERMITS NEEDED):

Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) approval of the proposed annexation of the subject property must be completed after the City of Huntington Beach approves pre-zoning in order for the annexation to be recorded and become effective.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:**

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one

impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" or is "Potentially Significant Unless Mitigated," as indicated by the checklist on the following pages. ☐ Land Use / Planning ☐ Transportation / Traffic ☐ Public Services ☐ Population / Housing ☐ Biological Resources ☐ Utilities / Service Systems Geology / Soils ☐ Mineral Resources ☐ Aesthetics ☐ Hydrology / Water Quality Hazards and Hazardous Materials ☐ Cultural Resources ☐ Air Quality ☐ Noise ☐ Recreation ☐ Agriculture Resources ☐ Greenhouse Gas Emissions ☐ Mandatory Findings of Significance **DETERMINATION** (To be completed by the Lead Agency) On the basis of this initial evaluation: I find that the proposed project **COULD NOT** have a significant effect on the environment, X and a **NEGATIVE DECLARATION** will be prepared. I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described on an attached sheet have been added to the project. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE **DECLARATION** will be prepared. I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an П **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT** is required. I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or a "potentially significant unless mitigated impact" on the environment, but at least one impact (1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and (2) has П been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed. I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided П or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is Date
Planning Manager
Title

The Local Coastal Program Amendment is subject to review and approval by the California Coastal Commission prior to becoming effective.				

Pri	nted Name Title						
EV	ALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:						
1.							
2.	All answers must take account of the whole action involved. Answers should address off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.						
3.	"Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate, if an effect is significant or potentially significant, or if the lead agency lacks information to make a finding of insignificance. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, preparation of an Environmental Impact Report is warranted.						
4.	4. Potentially Significant Impact Unless Mitigated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures may be cross-referenced).						
5.	Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tierir effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or r Earlier analyses are listed in Section XIX at the end of the	negative declar					
6.	References to information sources for potential impacts (incorporated into the checklist. A source list has been preindividuals contacted have been cited in the respective distance.	ovided in Secti					
7.	The following checklist has been formatted after Append Regulations, but has been augmented to reflect the City of				de of		
SA	MPLE QUESTION:						
ISS	SUES (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentiall y Significan t Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporat ed	Less Than Significan t Impact	No Impact		
	ould the proposal result in or expose people to potential pacts involving:						
La	ndslides? (Sources: 1, 6)	П	П	П	×		
Discussion: The attached source list explains that 1 is the Huntington Beach General Plan and 6 is a topographical map of the area which show that the area is located in a flat area. (Note: This response probably would not require					<u></u>		

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ISSUES (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
<ul> <li>LAND USE AND PLANNING. Would the project:</li> <li>a) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? (Sources: #1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 17)</li> </ul>			X	

Potentially

**Discussion:** The proposed annexation, general plan amendment, local coastal program amendment and prezoning for the Sunset Beach area will not result in a conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.

The proposed annexation is within the City's sphere of influence and is contiguous with the City boundary on the east and south. The proposed project is a logical and orderly extension of the City's boundaries and services. The area is almost entirely built out and is a physical extension of the City, and the City currently provides various services to the area as discussed in Issue areas Public Services and Utilities/Service Systems below. The existing development pattern and uses are compatible with existing development in the City on the inland side of Pacific Coast Highway, consisting of similar higher density residential, visitor serving commercial and open space-water recreation uses. The ocean side of the annexation area is dominated by beach, public parking, visitor serving commercial uses and high density residential uses. These uses are consistent with existing uses within the City's coastal area and do not require the creation of new land use designations. As such, the proposed project is consistent with General Plan Land Use Element goal LU 3 and related policies LU 3.1.1 and 3.2.1 relating to annexation as follows:

"Achieve the logical, orderly, and beneficial expansion of the City's services and jurisdictional limits." (Goal LU 3)

"Require that any lands proposed for annexation are contiguous with the City." (Policy LU 3.1.1)

"Require that the existing and future land uses located within the proposed annexation area are compatible with the adjacent City uses." (Policy LU 3.1.2)

The proposed project is consistent with the Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan goal C 1, which requires that the City "develop a land use plan for the Coastal Zone that protects and enhances coastal resources, promotes public access and balances development with facility needs" and with policy C 1.1.8, which lists five considerations that the City should evaluate when evaluating annexations including the land use goal and policies provided above. The proposed Specific Plan and Land Use Plan do not change the land use goals for the area, maintain the existing access points and do not create any service or facility needs in comparison with the existing County Local Coastal Program for Sunset Beach as approved by the California Coastal Commission.

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Potentially Significant

Potentially Unless Less Than Significant Mitigation Significant Impact Impact

No Impact

ISSUES (and Supporting Information Sources):

The proposed prezoning of Sunset Beach with the Sunset Beach Specific Plan is consistent with the City's Zoning Code in that it meets the findings required in Section 215.12 of the City of Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance. The project meets the findings required for approval of a Specific Plan as follows:

"The Specific Plan is consistent with the adopted Land Use Element of the General Plan and, if in the coastal zone, with the certified Local Coastal Land Use Plan, and other applicable policies and is compatible with the surrounding development."

The proposed Specific Plan is consistent with the General Plan and Local Coastal Program as described above and is consistent with the surrounding residential, commercial and open space development in that it designates the area for residential, visitor serving commercial, public and open space uses. The proposed Specific Plan has been developed to be consistent with the existing County Sunset Beach Specific Plan and does not propose changes to the permitted uses.

"The Specific Plan will enhance the potential for superior urban design in comparison with the development under the base district provisions that would apply if the Plan were not adopted."

The Sunset Beach Specific Plan reflects the unique character of Sunset Beach with its smaller lot sizes and extensive areas for public recreation and parking. It carries forward the County's development standards in term of height, setbacks, parking and density to ensure that development occurring after approval of the annexation and other entitlements will be consistent with the quality of existing development within the Specific Plan area.

"Deviations from the base district provisions that otherwise would apply are justified by compensating benefits of the Specific Plan."

The Sunset Beach Specific Plan contains regulations, for setbacks and parking among others, that are less restrictive than those of the Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance. These are in recognition of existing conditions and the County's Specific Plan regulations. These regulations allow for the provision of substantial public/open space facilities including the 13 acre linear park/public parking area that provide a direct benefit to the community and general public.

"The Specific Plan includes adequate provisions for utilities, services, and emergency vehicle access; and public services demands will not exceed the capacity of existing and planned systems."

The Specific Plan contains provisions for the adequate provision of all utilities, services and emergency access to the project area. There are no changes to the existing development standards such that an unanticipated development intensity would occur.

ISS	UES (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
t	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan? (Sources: #1, 3, 5)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The proposed project will not conflict with community conservation plan as none exist for the area. project will not have an impact in this area.				
C	Physically divide an established community? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The Sunset Beach Specific Plan was created approved by Orange County and the California Coastal expected to result in an increase in density or intensity or community and would not result in any impact in this are	Commission f developme	. As such, the	proposed pr	oject is not
II. <u>l</u>	POPULATION AND HOUSING. Would the project:				
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (e.g., by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (e.g., through extensions of roads or other infrastructure)? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The proposed project will not induce substant Sunset Beach Specific Plan reflects the land use plan as ap Coastal Commission. There is no change to the number of and commercial development. The proposed Specific Plan extensions or roadways. Consequently, the project will not the area.	oproved by Corror of the correction of the corre	Prange County properties des clude any new	and the Cali signated for a infrastructu	fornia residential re
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion under item c.				
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion b) &amp; c):</b> The proposed project will not displace displace substantial numbers of people necessitating the corproject does not require nor propose any physical change to will not create any impacts in these areas.	nstruction of	replacement h	ousing. The	proposed

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## III. GEOLOGY AND SOILS. Would the project:

a)	adve	ose people or structures to potential substantial erse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or h involving:				
	i)	Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 6, 12, 17, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.					
	ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking? (Sources: #1, 6, 19)				X
	Disc	eussion: See discussion below.				
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? (Sources: #1, 6, 12, 19)				X
	Disc	eussion: See discussion below.				
	iv)	Landslides? (Sources: #1, 6, 12, 19)				X
	Discu	ssion: See discussion below.				
b)	chan	alt in substantial soil erosion, loss of topsoil, or ages in topography or unstable soil conditions from vation, grading, or fill? (Sources: #5, 19)				X
	Disc	cussion: See discussion below.				
c)	or the projection	ocated on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, not would become unstable as a result of the ect, and potentially result in on or off-site slide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction ollapse? (Sources: #1, 12, 19)				X
	Disc	cussion: See discussion below.				

d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-G:\ENVIRONM\CHECKLST Page 12

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	B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property? (Sources: 1, 12, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion a) through d):</b> The Newport-Inglewood Farthough it extends through Huntington Harbour approximate potential liquefaction zone. Sunset Beach is flat and not	nately half a	mile to the eas		
	The project involves annexation of the approximately 109 acre Sunset Beach area, the amendment of the general plan, local coastal program, zoning map and adoption of the Sunset Beach Specific Plan. The project does not change the location or amount of allowed development compared with existing County approvals and does not propose specific development. Therefore, implementation of the project would no create any impacts relating to exposure of people or structures to substantial adverse effects relating to rupture of a known earthquake fault, strong seismic ground shaking, and seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction, landslides, etc. The proposed Specific Plan requires compliance with all federal, state and municipal regulations, which would include compliance with the Uniform Building Code as it pertains to geological conditions. No impacts would occur.				
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion e):</b> The Sunset Beach area will continue to upon annexation of the project site. Therefore, the project	-			y District
	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Would ne project:				
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the				X

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	course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on or off-site? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount or surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on or off-site? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion a) and f):</b> The Sunset Beach Specific Plan the Sunset Beach Channel, which is an extension of the include any streams or rivers and is not a groundwater r	Huntington I	Harbour area.		
	The proposed project reflects the Specific Plan as approcommission in terms of amount and location of land us would not result in additional density or intensity of lan implementation of the proposed project would not creat capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage sypolluted runoff or otherwise substantially degrade water a new section on Water Quality, consistent with other Continual Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPD management plans, as necessary. The project would no	es. The prop d use beyond e or contribu- stems or prov r quality. The city specific p DES) requiren	osed Sunset B what is curre te runoff that wide substantia e proposed Sp plans, requiring ments and prep	each Specifintly allowed would exceed additional secific Plan degraphiance aration of ware aration are aration.	c Plan . As such, d the sources of oes include e with
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map? (Sources: # 2, 5, 7, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures  RONM\CHECKLST Page 14				X

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	which would impede or redirect flood flows? (Sources: # 2, 5, 7, 19)				
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam? (Sources: # 1, 2, 5, 7, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion g) through i):</b> With the exception of some area is located in FEMA Flood Zone X outside of the 1 the beach within the Flood Zone is designated as VE. I states that flood damage can occur in Sunset Beach dur flood proofing requirements for new structures along S also states that Sunset Channel has been privately bulk the Channel have been bulkheaded by the County.	00 year flood Nonetheless, tring periods of outh Pacific A	hazard area. he County's S f abnormally h Avenue. The O	The small periods of the small	ortion of for the area d includes fic Plan
	The proposed project would not change land use or zon allowed outside of the area designated as Flood Zone X forward the County's floodproofing requirements and of Ordinance as well. Therefore, implementation of the parea.	<ul><li>The City's requires comp</li></ul>	proposed Spe liance with the	ecific Plan ca e City's Floo	rries dplain
j)	Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The proposed project area is not located wis susceptible to mudflow. However, there is a possibility Huntington Harbour Channels. The proposed project w use, nor change the location of permitted land uses compare the proposed project will not result in any important transmit or mudflow.	for seiche in S ill not result in pared with the	Sunset Channe additional der existing Coun	l or the adjac nsity or inten ty Specific P	ent sity of land lan.
k)	Potentially impact storm water runoff from construction activities? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				□
1)	Potentially impact storm water runoff from post-construction activities? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)	Ц	Ц	Ш	X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
m)	Result in a potential for discharge of storm water pollutants from areas of material storage, vehicle or				X
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		equipment fueling, vehicle or equipment maintenance (including washing), waste handling, hazardous materials handling or storage, delivery areas, loading docks or other outdoor work areas? (Source: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				
		<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	n)	Result in the potential for discharge of storm water to affect the beneficial uses of the receiving waters? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5)				X
		<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	o)	Create or contribute significant increases in the flow velocity or volume of storm water runoff to cause environmental harm? (Sources: # 5, 19)				X
		<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	p)	Create or contribute significant increases in erosion of the project site or surrounding areas? (Sources: # 5, 19)				X
		Discussion items k) through p): The proposed annexate program amendment and prezoning are reflective of the County and the California Coastal Commission. The printensity of land use beyond what is currently allowed, a proposed in association with the project. The proposed Quality, consistent with other City specific plans, require Elimination System (NPDES) requirements and preparanecessary. The proposed project will not result in environments.	existing Spe oject would a and no new c Specific Plar ing compliar tion of water	cific Plan as a not result in an construction or does includence with Nation quality mana	pproved by 0 n increase in developmen a section on nal Pollution gement plan	Orange density or at is Water Discharges, as
	crit ma	R QUALITY. The city has identified the significance teria established by the applicable air quality magement district as appropriate to make the following terminations. Would the project:				
	a)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? (Sources: #1, 5, 8, 19)				X
		<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	b)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? (Sources: : #1, 5, 8, 19)				X

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	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
c)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? (Sources: : #1, 5, 8, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
d)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? (Sources: : #1, 5, 8, 19)				$\boxtimes$
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
e)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? (Sources: :#1, 5, 8, 19)				X
VI T	<b>Discussion a) through e)</b> : The City of Huntington Beal located within the South Coast Air Basin. The entire A nonattainment area for ozone, carbon monoxide (CO), particulate matter (PM <sub>2.5</sub> ). The Basin is also a State-le The proposed project is reflective of the existing Specific California Coastal Commission and would not result in beyond what is currently allowed. No new construction the annexation. Therefore, the project will not result in <b>ERANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC</b> . Would the project:	ir Basin is de respirable par vel nonattain fic Plan as app an increase in or developn	signated as a reticulate matter ment area for opproved by Ora n density or in ment is propose	national-leve r (PM <sub>10</sub> ) and ozone, PM <sub>10</sub> nge County a tensity of lar	l fine and PM <sub>2.5.</sub> and the nd use
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit? (Sources:#1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion				X
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management agency for designated roads or highways? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)

**Discussion a) through b):** The community of Sunset Beach is served by a network of local streets, with regional access via Pacific Coast Highway, a state highway operated and maintained by the California Department of Transportation. Access via transit is provided by the Orange County Transportation Authority, which operates four routes in the immediate vicinity of Sunset Beach. The Pacific Coast Bikeway follows Pacific Coast Highway and is included in the Master Plan of Countywide Bikeways.

The proposed project involves amending the General Plan and Local Coastal Program, including adoption of the Sunset Beach Specific Plan, and annexation of the Sunset Beach area to the City of Huntington Beach. The Sunset Beach Specific Plan is reflective of the Specific Plan approved by Orange County and the California Coastal Commission and would not result in an increase in density or intensity of land use beyond what is currently allowed. The Sunset Beach circulation network is fully developed and will not require an extension of infrastructure as a result of the project. The Specific Plan carries forward the County's specific plan policies as they pertain to overall circulation issues. Therefore, implementation of the proposed project will not conflict with any applicable plans or programs as listed above pertaining to transportation/traffic nor result in associated impacts.

	transportation/traffic flor result in associated impacts.				
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks? (Sources: #5, 10, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The City is located within the Airport Environs Training Base Los Alamitos. The Sunset Beach area is loca area; however, the Specific Plan does not allow buildings proposed project would not create any impacts for air traff	ated outside at a height	of the AELU that would be	JP's height re	striction
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses? (Sources: #2, 5, 19)			X	
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access? (Sources: #2, 5, 19)			X	

**Discussion d) through e):** The proposed project does not propose any development but includes the adoption of the Sunset Beach Specific Plan that provides standards for future development. The Specific Plan reflects the County's Sunset Beach Specific Plan standards. There is not a potential increase in hazards due to incompatible uses or sharp curves as the existing uses allowed by the County and provided for in the City's Specific Plan are compatible and the street network is fully established. However, the standard for one-way drive aisle width (20 feet) for residential projects or commercial projects with 90 degree parking stalls is below those of the City of Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance by six and five feet, respectively, and, in instances of a drive aisle being designated a fire lane, may result

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in impacts to emergency access for fire apparatus. In addition, the typical street section for the local streets is narrower (four feet less of paved surface) than the City's Standard Plan requirement. The City of Huntington Beach Fire Department currently responds to almost 150 calls per year (approximately 80 percent) in Sunset Beach (see Section IX. Hazards and Hazardous Materials) and reduced drive aisle widths and street sections have not been a significant impediment in their ability to respond, though maneuvering apparatus can be more constrained. Therefore, impacts related to potential design hazards

	and emergency access are less than sign	ificant.	, <u>I</u>	1	S	
f)	Result in inadequate parking capacity? 5, 19)	(Sources: #2,			X	
	Discussion: The proposed project does Sunset Beach Specific Plan that provide reflects the County's Sunset Beach Specuses are less than those of the City of He discussion in the County's Plan regarding the compact, pedestrian-oriented characterinear park/parking facility contains 660 employees, residents and visitors. In ad The sizeable amount of public parking is on-site parking for much of the communication way to allow for reduced parking requires integral component of the City of Hunting Beach in terms of the combined resident small parcel sizes. Therefore, potential significant.	s parking standar cific Plan parking untington Beach a ng parking issues ter of Sunset Beach public parking si dition, most street in Sunset Beach g nity. The concept ements for indivi- ington Beach down tial and tourist-or	ds for future standards. Zoning and Sas they relate ch, parking i paces that are ts have on-stiven its compared of shared padual uses. For ntown area, iented developments	development. The parking result is routinely shad regularly use regularly use react size has harking is recognized as a summer of the parking results in the parking	The Specific equirements for equirements for example. For example, and the example of the exampl	ic Plan for various I there is I, due to ample, the as patrons, e side. eet limited easonable g is an Sunset focus and
g)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or regarding public transit, bicycle, or pede facilities, or otherwise decrease the perf safety of such facilities? (Sources: # 1,	estrian formance or				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion VIa-b. In accrequirements for bicycle parking consist Ordinance. These requirements would bicycle facilities in the area. The propose points to the beach and designates the way the County's existing plan. The propose public transit, bicycle or pedestrian facilities.	tent with the City apply to new dev sed Specific Plan valking path in the ed project would	of Huntingto elopment and also maintai e linear park not conflict v	on Beach Zond would improns the existing as a public facuith adopted prons the control of the co	ing and Subdove the availage pedestrian actility, consist	livision ability of access ent with
VII. <u> </u>	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES. Would	I the project:				
a) G:\ENV	Have a substantial adverse effect, either through habitat modifications, on any spidentified as a candidate, sensitive, or species in local or regional plans, polici IRONM\CHECKLST	pecies pecial status				X

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	regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S, Fish and Wildlife Service? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)				
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)				X
c)	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.  Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh,				$\boxtimes$
	vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)				
d)	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.  Interfere substantially with the movement of any				X
	native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)				
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance? (Sources: #1, 3, 5)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)				X

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**Discussion a) through f):** The Sunset Beach area does not include any wetlands but includes beach area G:\ENVIRONM\CHECKLST Page~20

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that, as described in the County's existing Specific Plan, can be home to a variety of macroscopic species of marine animals, microfauna and invertebrate and vertebrate species that all play a role in the food chain. The proposed project is the annexation, general plan amendment, local coastal program amendment and prezoning for Sunset Beach to incorporate it to the City of Huntington Beach. The City's proposed Specific Plan carries forward the description of the beach area and does not modify any of the regulations that pertain to the open space areas of the Specific Plan, including Sunset Channel. The project will not result in increased density or intensity of land use beyond what is allowed in the existing Specific Plan, nor expand the area that may be developed, and will not create any impacts relating to biological resources.

VIII.	MINERAL RESOURCES. Would the project:				
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See below.				
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion a) &amp; b):</b> There are no known mineral resource any impacts on mineral resources.	es in Sunse	t Beach. The	project will n	ot result in
IX.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Would the project:				
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous material, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X

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	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment? (Sources: # 5, 11, 14, 15, 16)				X
	<b>Discussion items a) through d):</b> There is no school with properties within Sunset Beach listed on any list of active that is on the Leaking Underground Tank (LUST) cleans the case is closed. The proposed Sunset Beach Specific and does propose any new land uses. The only permitter routine basis are medical uses, boat docks and automobic federal, state and local regulations as they pertain to haze the area and adoption of the project would not create any transportation, use or disposal of hazardous materials or hazardous materials.	re hazardous -up site list; l Plan reflects d uses that m le service sta ardous waste y environmen	sites. There is thowever, clear is the County's night generate ations. All uses. Consequent and impacts re-	s one gas stanup is complexisting Spechazardous were must compatly, the annexelating to the	tion site eted and cific Plan aste on a oly with cation of
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or pubic use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? (Sources: # 5, 10, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion under item f.				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? (Sources: #5, 10, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion e) &amp; f):</b> The City is located within the Airpo Forces Training Base Los Alamitos, but is not located w Sunset Beach area is located outside of the AELUP's he allow buildings at a height that would be of concern. The uses for persons residing or working within the project a	ithin two mi ight restrictionere are no h	les of a public on area, but th	or private ai le Specific Pl	rport. The an does not
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan? (Sources: #2, 5, 19)			X	
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion under item h.				
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of				

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		loss, injury, or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands? (Sources: #2, 5, 19, 20)				$\boxtimes$
		Discussion items g) & h): There are no wildlands adjaced The Sunset Beach area is currently served by a volunteed Pacific Coast Highway; and, through a mutual aid agreed the City of Huntington Beach, which has a fire station a boundary on Warner Avenue, east of Pacific Coast High beginning in July 2004 the Orange County Fire Authoric Beach to provide paramedic emergency medical service emergency medical responses in Sunset Beach are proved Department. The Metro Cities Fire Authority reports the out of 184 calls in 2008 (79 percent) and 149 out of 182 LAFCO, of the 51 calls received by the Sunset Beach surfice Fire Firefighters were only able to respond with qualified The proposed project would not expose people to risks associated impacts. The City of Huntington Beach has in the area; however, as discussed in Section VIe. Transfor some drive aisle width and street section configuration.	er (Reserve Frement with the approximately hway, and by the gan content of Sunset Edded by the Content of Cont	ire Fighters) Fe orange Course 800 feet from the City of Settracting with the Beach. The material of Hunting of Huntington Fe (82 percent) as (a subset of the two of those of the adequately resuffic, existing	Fire company inty Fire Author the Sunset eal Beach. In the City of Hajority of the gton Beach Fach responsible 184 total cases.  The would be appond to calls and proposed	r, located on hority, by Beach n addition, untington fire and Fire ided to 146 g to b, Reserve
		required in the City of Huntington Beach. Because the adequately respond in Sunset Beach with the existing st relating to impairment of or physical interference with a evacuation plan.	City's Fire D andards, imp	epartment has acts will be le	s been able to ss than signi	ficant
X.	<u>N(</u>	<b>DISE.</b> Would the project result in:				
	a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? (Sources: #5, 13, 19)				X
		<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive ground borne vibration or ground borne noise levels? (Sources: #5, 13, 19)				×
		<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
	c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? (Sources: #5, 13, 19)				X

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	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? (Sources: #5, 13, 19)				X
e)	<b>Discussion items a) through d):</b> The project would not development or change the location of permitted uses from Specific Plan. As such, the project would not result in a excess ground borne vibration or noise levels, and ambie existing without the proposed project. The proposed profes a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? (Sources: #5, 10, 19)	om what is c substantial pent noise lev	urrently allow permanent included els in the proje	ed in the Correase in noise ect vicinity a	unty's e levels, bove levels
	<b>Discussion:</b> The City is located within the Airport Environment Base Los Alamitos, but is not located within two Beach area is located outside of the AELUP's area of coordinate the proposed annexation and planning entitlements for p	o miles of a ncern. There	public or prive are no noise	ate airport. Timpacts asso	The Sunset
i)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? (Sources: # 5, 10, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> Sunset Beach is not located within the vici	nity of a priv	ate airstrip.		
sub pro fac sig acc	DBLIC SERVICES. Would the project result in estantial adverse physical impacts associated with the evision of new or physically altered governmental cilities, the construction of which could cause enificant environmental impacts, in order to maintain ceptable service ratios, response times or other reformance objectives for any of the public services:				
a)	Fire protection? (Sources: #1, 5, 19, 20)			X	
	<b>Discussion:</b> The Sunset Beach area is currently served be company, located on Pacific Coast Highway; and, throug County Fire Authority, by the City of Huntington Beach from the Sunset Beach boundary on Warner Avenue, eas Seal Beach. In addition, beginning in July 2004 the Orathe City of Huntington Beach to provide paramedic eme	gh a mutual a , which has a st of Pacific on nge County	aid agreement a fire station a Coast Highwa Fire Authority	with the Ora pproximately y, and by the began contr	inge 7800 feet City of acting with

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majority of the fire and emergency medical responses in Sunset Beach are provided by the City of Huntington Beach Fire Department. The Metro Cities Fire Authority reports that the City of Huntington Beach responded to 146 out of 184 calls in 2008 (79 percent) and 149 out of 182 calls in 2009 (82 percent). According to LAFCO, of the 51 calls received by the Sunset Beach station in 2008, Reserve Fire Firefighters were only able to respond with qualified reserves in two of those cases.

With implementation of the proposed project, the City of Huntington Beach Fire Department will provide fire protection and emergency medical services to the area, though the mutual aid agreement will remain in effect. The City currently meets and would continue to meet the standard response times of three to five minutes using existing facilities, equipment, and personnel. The Specific Plan also requires that new e

	development comply with the City's Fire Specifications. City's Department will experience an increase in calls for Department has indicated that it can provide such services impacting its ability to provide public safety services to the proposed project would be less than significant.	service with to the Suns	implementa et Beach cor	ation of the pr nmunity with	oject. The out			
b)	Police Protection? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)			X				
	<b>Discussion:</b> The Orange County Sheriff's Department and California Highway Patrol (CHP) currently serve the Sunset Beach community, with the City of Huntington Beach Police Department providing assistance as needed. The Sheriff's Department handles basic calls for service and the CHP handles traffic collisions within the area as Pacific Coast Highway is a State facility. For 2007 and 2008, the Sheriff's Department responded to an average of 4.6 calls per day (1,688 calls for service annually), and CHP responded to approximately 55 calls each year. Data for the City of Huntington Beach, for 2008 and 2009, indicate that the City Police Department provided agency assistance for a total of 40 calls, completed 20 traffic stops that resulted in a report, implying an arrest, and completed 202 traffic stops that did not result in a report for the Sunset Beach area.  With implementation of the project, CHP would continue to respond to traffic collisions for Pacific Coast Highway. The City of Huntington Beach Police Department would provide law enforcement services. Based on the statistics above, the City's Department will experience an increase in calls for service with implementation of the project. The Department has indicated that it could provide such services to the Sunset Beach community without impacting its ability to provide public safety services to the rest of Huntington Beach. Impacts of the proposed project would be less than significant.							
c)	Schools? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X			
	<b>Discussion:</b> The proposed project involves the annexation of Huntington Beach and associated prezoning, general pl Current service providers include the Huntington Beach U District and will not change with project implementation. change the density or intensity of currently allowed land u will not result in any impact to schools.	an and local Inion High S The City's <sub>l</sub>	coastal prog chool and the proposed Sp	gram amendm ne Ocean Viev ecific Plan do	ents. w School es not			
d)	Parks? (Sources: #1, 5, 17, 19)				X			
	<b>Discussion:</b> The Sunset Beach area includes three public to	ecreational i	facilities: the	e large beach.	a linear			

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park/parking facility and a small beach. The proposed project does not propose any construction or development, and the City's Specific Plan carries forward the County's land use plan and policies for the existing recreational facilities. The proposed general plan amendment and local coastal program amendment include updates to the General Plan Recreation and Community Services Element and Land Use Plan (Coastal Element), respectively, to provide a current inventory of recreational facilities in the City as well as add the facilities in Sunset Beach to the City's inventory. However, these text changes do not require nor would they result in physical impacts to any of the facilities. The City's Sunset Beach Specific Plan was developed to reflect the specific plan approved by Orange County and no increase in density or intensity of land use is proposed. Therefore, implementation of the proposed project will not result in any impacts to parks.

e)	Other public facilities or governmental services? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The Sunset Beach area represents a proport Beach and will not result in the need for other public factorial would be the need for new governmental facilities that a services to the area using its existing facilities and staff. additional impacts in this area.	cilities or gov might result ir	ernmental ser n impacts. Th	vices such the City can pr	at there ovide
XII.	<u>UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS</u> . Would the project:				
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board? (Sources: #1, 5, 17, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? (Sources: # 1, 5, 17, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? (Sources: # 1, 5, 17, 19)				X

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d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments? (Sources: # 1, 5, 16, 19)				X
	Discussion a) through e): The City of Huntington Bead Beach area since fiscal year 1964/65, when it purchased Beach Sanitary District, formed in 1930, is responsible that wastewater within Sunset Beach. The City of Huntington Works/Flood Control Section are the agencies responsible Sunset Beach. The Orange County Sanitation District is annexation, these same agencies will continue to provid services to the Sunset Beach area. The City's proposed density or intensity of land use nor propose any new information impacts associated with items a) through e) about the same agencies will be continued to provide the sunset Beach area.	the Sunset Efor the review on Beach and ole for the flo is responsible water, sewe Specific Plan rastructure pro-	Beach Water Down and approva I the Orange Cod control system for wastewater, wastewater does not pro	Pistrict. The l of the colle county Public tem in the vier treatment. and storm depose any characteristics.	Sunset ction of characteristy of Upon rain ange in
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs? (Sources: # 1, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste? (Sources: #1, 5, 19)				X
	Discussion items f) & g): The project involves annexat Huntington Beach and amendments to the General Plan the Sunset Beach Specific Plan. The Sunset Beach Specapproved by Orange County and the California Coastal allowed density or intensity of development within the aimpacts on landfill capacity and compliance with regular	and Local Cocific Plan was Commission area. Conseq	oastal Programs created to re and will not cuently, the pro	n, including a flect the land change the cu oject will not	adoption of l use plan arrently
h)	Include a new or retrofitted storm water treatment control Best Management Practice (BMP), (e.g. water quality treatment basin, constructed treatment wetlands?) (Sources: # 5)				X

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Discussion: The project does not propose any development or change to the land uses currently allowed

	by the County Specific Plan. As such the project will no	t result in in	npacts in this a	ırea.				
XIII.	<b>AESTHETICS.</b> Would the project:							
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 17, 19)				X			
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.							
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 17, 19)				X			
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.							
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 17, 19)				X			
	<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.							
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 17, 19)				X			
	<b>Discussion a) through d):</b> Sunset Beach is adjacent to the Pacific Ocean and the existing County Specific Plan identifies seven scenic vista viewpoints along South Pacific Avenue, which provide views of the Ocean. In addition, the portion of Pacific Coast Highway located in the Sunset Beach Specific Plan area is designated as a scenic highway. The majority (99 percent) of the residential and commercial areas of Sunset Beach are developed: there are four undeveloped parcels, one of which is occupied by a billboard.							
	The proposed Sunset Beach Specific Plan maintains the sign Plan and carries forward the same protections and restrict associated viewpoints are not obscured. The proposed Special Standards to regulate development within the Sunset Beach location or intensity of permitted uses and does not proposed project will not result in sources of light and glascenic resources. The project will not result in any aesthermal standards for the project will not result in any aesthermal standards.	tions on use pecific Plan ch area. Those any deve are beyond	s to ensure that maintains the e Specific Plan elopment; thus what is current	t the scenic v same develor does not ch , implementa	vista and pment ange the ation of the			
XIV	CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project:							
	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in $\delta15064.5$ ? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X			
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<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to $\delta15064.5$ ? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X
<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
c) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site unique geologic feature? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X
<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
d) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)  Discussion items a) through d): There are no known Plan area; however, there may be buildings greater that evaluation as a historic resource should demolition or a project is annexation of Sunset Beach to the City of Hutthe City of Huntington Beach general plan, local coast use and zoning regulations for the area. The proposed of Orange Specific Plan. The City of Huntington Beach regulations afford the same protection to cultural resource regulations. The annexation and adoption of the plann cultural resources.  XV. RECREATION. Would the project:	in 45 years of a significant alte untington Bead al program and Specific Plan ch General Pla urces, should the	age that may recration be proper and the ado d zoning docu is consistent was and Local Coney occur, as to	equire further posed. The propertion of amounts to establish the exist coastal Programs Coastal Programs of the County of the Co	oroposed endments to ablish land ting County am f Orange ts to
<ul> <li>a) Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood, community and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 17, 19)</li> <li>Discussion: See discussion below.</li> </ul>				X
b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 17, 19)				X
<b>Discussion:</b> See discussion below.				
c) Affect existing recreational opportunities? (Sources:#1, 3, 5, 17, 19)				X

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**ISSUES** (and Supporting Information Sources):

**Discussion items a) through c):** The Sunset Beach Specific Plan area includes an approximate 33 acre public beach, 3.4 acre public channel/beach area and a 13 acre public parking and linear park facility with restrooms and a tot lot. There is also a community center owned and operated by the Sunset Beach Community Association.

The proposed Sunset Beach Specific Plan is reflective of the existing conditions and carries forward the land use designations and regulations of the existing Specific Plan such that the existing recreational facilities are not affected. The proposed Specific Plan does not result in increased density or intensity of land use beyond what is currently allowed such that additional recreational amenities are required. The proposed general plan amendment and local coastal program amendment include updates to the General Plan Recreation and Community Services Element and Land Use Plan (Coastal Element), respectively, to provide a current inventory of recreational facilities in the City as well as add the facilities in Sunset Beach to the City's inventory. However, these text changes do not require nor would they result in impacts to any of the facilities. Therefore, implementation of the project will not result in any impacts on recreational issues.

## XVI. AGRICULTURE RESOURCES. In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. Would the project: a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or П П N Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use? (Sources: #5, 19) **Discussion:** See discussion below. $\square$ b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a П Williamson Act contract? (Sources: #5, 19) **Discussion:** See discussion below c) Involve other changes in the existing environment |X|П which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use? (Sources: #5, 19)

**Discussion items a) through c):** The proposed project will not convert farmland or conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use. There are no agricultural uses in the subject area. Existing zoning permits

Potentially Significant Potentially Unless Significant Mitigation

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Less Than Significant Impact

No Impact

**ISSUES** (and Supporting Information Sources):

residential, visitor serving commercial, public and open space uses. The proposed project would establish similar zoning for the area and, as such, no impacts would occur.

a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment? (Sources: #5, 18)			X	
	<b>Discussion:</b> The California Energy Commission calcumetric tons of carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) emissions. On an generate enough GHG emissions to create a significant parcel size of properties in Sunset Beach, for example, project developed pursuant to the County's existing or when compared to the overall contribution of the State A project's potential impact would be its incremental call other GHG emission sources to cause significant curchange impacts. The project involves the annexation of vacant parcels with a combined total of less than one as with the intent and land use density of the County's exigeneral plan and local coastal program amendments. The projects developed pursuant to the Specific Plan. While GHG emissions, it is reasonable to apply the same required occurs when a project results in a cumulatively considers ince the project's direct contribution of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions due to the developed nature of the community, parcel per Plan, impacts from GHG emissions would not result in emissions and impacts would be less than significant.	individual basi impact on glol the CO <sub>2</sub> emissi City's proposes is GHG emission ontribution of Comulative impact a community ere) and adoption of a community sting Specific Inhe project does ect construction there is no spairements for crable net increase is zero and incattern and developments.	s, a project go bal climate ch ons that might d Specific Platens impacting GHG emission ets that could y that is 99 per on of a Specific Plan for the ast s not have portural and operate pecific threshous riteria pollutariase of GHG edirect emission elopment stant	enerally would ange. Given to the generated in would be not global climate ins when combined the result in global recent developed fic Plan that is rea, as well as tential to direct tional emissional of significations. The missions. The missions. The dards in the S	I not the small I for a egligible ee change. bined with Il climate ed (four consistent associated tly ns from ance for difficance erefore, egligible pecific
b)	Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? (Sources: #5, 18)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The Sunset Beach community is located in County's General Plan. Existing and possible future de Air Quality Management Plan provided by SCAG. The	evelopment wit	hin the Coun	ty is accounted	d for in the

does not propose any increase in development that might be allowed beyond what might be realized under the County's Specific Plan. Additionally, the Specific Plan requires compliance with all applicable federal and state regulations. The proposed project would not conflict with applicable policies, plans or programs

adopted for the purpose of reducing GHG emissions.

## XVIII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.

ISSU	JES (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? (Sources: #1, 3, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The proposed project does not propose any or plan, local coastal program and specific plan documents it community of Sunset Beach to the City of Huntington Be the provisions of the County's existing Specific Plan, as of for the area as they pertain to protection of the environment Beach Specific Plan will not create additional density or it allowed by the County's Specific Plan. Implementation of impacts in these areas.	n association each. The Ci certified by the ental consideration	n with the anner ty's proposed he California ( rations above. and use beyon	exation of the Specific Plan Coastal Comm The proposed what is cur	e developed n includes mission, ed Sunset crently
b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.) (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)				X
	<b>Discussion:</b> The proposed project involves annexation of Huntington Beach and adoption of general plan, local coathe Sunset Beach Specific Plan. The Sunset Beach Specific by Orange County and the California Coastal Commission an additional density or intensity of land use beyond what in impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively	stal program ic Plan is ref n. As such, t is currently	and zoning a lective of the the proposed p allowed. The	mendments, Specific Plar project will n	including approved ot result in
c)	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly? (Sources: # 1, 3, 5, 19)			X	
	<b>Discussion:</b> As discussed throughout the document, the pareas with the exception of less than significant impacts f service for fire and police services and land use, transport due to reduced standards for parking and some drive aisle carries forward the intent of the County's existing Specific	or public ser tation/traffic widths and	vices due to an and hazards a street sections	n increase in nd hazardous. The propo	calls for s materials osed project

Potentially

will cause adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

standards. Implementation of the project will not result a substantial increase in environmental effects that

## XIX. EARLIER ANALYSIS/SOURCE LIST.

Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, one or more effects have been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063 @ (3) (D). Earlier Documents Prepared and Utilized in this Analysis:

Reference #	<b>Document Title</b>	Available for Review at:
1	City of Huntington Beach General Plan	City of Huntington Beach Planning & Building Dept., Planning/Zoning Information Counter, 2000 Main St., 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Huntington Beach, and at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/Govern ment/Departments/Planning/gp
2	City of Huntington Beach Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance	City of Huntington Beach City Clerk's Office, 2000 Main St., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Huntington Beach, and at www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/charter_codes
3	City of Huntington Beach Local Coastal Program	City of Huntington Beach Planning & Building Department (see #1)
4	Project Vicinity Map	See Attachment #1
5	Draft Sunset Beach Specific Plan, August 2010	See Attachment #2
6	City of Huntington Beach Geotechnical Inputs Report	City of Huntington Beach Planning & Building Dept. (see #1)
7	FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map	cc
8	CEQA Air Quality Handbook, South Coast Air Quality Management District (1993)	cc
9	City of Huntington Beach CEQA Procedure Handbook	··
10	Airport Environs Land Use Plan for Joint Forces Training Base Los Alamitos (Oct. 17, 2002)	cc
11	Geotracker search for leaking underground fuel tanks, 2010	http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov
12	State Seismic Hazard Zones Map	City of Huntington Beach Planning & Building (see #1)
13	City of Huntington Beach Municipal Code	City of Huntington Beach City Clerk's Office (see #2)
14	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Information System (CERCLIS) database, 2010	http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/cursites/
15	Investigation-Cleanups (SLIC) and Landfill sites, Cortese list of Hazardous Waste and Substances Site	www.calepa.gov/sitecleanup/cortese
16	The Department of Toxic Substances Control's Site Mitigation and Brownfields Database, 2010	http://www.envirostar.dtsc.ca.gov/public/
17	Draft General Plan and Local Coastal Program Amendments	See Attachment #3
18	State of California Office of Planning and Research CEQA documents on greenhouse gas emissions	http://opr.ca.gov/index.php?a=ceqa/ind ex
19	Orange County General Plan, Zoning Map and Sunset Beach Specific Plan/Local Coastal Program	http://pdsd.oc.gov/CodesRegulations.a spx

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City of Huntington Beach Planning & Building Dept. (see #1)



## **VICINITY MAP**

GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 10-002/ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 10-002/ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 10-001/LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM AMENDMENT NO. 10-001/ANNEXATION NO. 10-001/NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 10-005

(SUNSET BEACH SPECIFIC PLAN AND ANNEXATION)

Attachment No. 1